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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]

Chairman, CIA/DIA Joint Analysis Group

SUBJECT: Request for JAG Suggestions For Forthcoming "Giant IAP"

1. This is to confirm our conversation of yesterday in which I asked that JAG provide some informal help with the Terms of Reference of the forthcoming "Intelligence Assumptions for Planning -- Soviet Military Forces Through 1969", and you agreed to do so.

2. As I put it, what we need is for the JAG to come up with recommendations as to what specific types of estimates and assumptions about Soviet military forces, beyond those already contained in the NIEs, should be included in the IAP. The recommendations could include suggestions as to what are the key characteristics of weapons and equipment, what types of weapons and equipment should be included, what other elements of the military structure and its capabilities are important, what detail is needed in quantitative estimates and assumptions as to force levels, what would be the most useful breakdown of types, quantities, subordination and geographic disposition of forces and weapons, etc. The criterion for selection in all cases would be the likely importance of the data to US long-term military planning.

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3. We will also be getting specific requirements from [REDACTED] office, and will be drawing ideas from our own sample IAP prepared last June, the JAG papers of last year, the DIA's OIEP, and other sources. But I am particularly grateful for your willingness to make recommendations because your group has also had so much experience with studies involving US long-term planning needs for intelligence inputs.

4. To be most useful, your recommendations should be received by about the end of November.

5. I am sending info copies of this memo to offices interested in the forthcoming IAP within CIA, to [REDACTED], and to the principal DIA representative on the project, [REDACTED]

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